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SUBJ: LOS: WORKING GROUP ON REGIME, MARCH 15

1. WORKING GROUP I HELD ONE SESSION DEVOTED TO FURTHER DISCUSSION OF FOUR ALTERNATIVE DRAFT TEXTS FOR ART XII (WHO MAY EXPLOIT THE SEABED) (SEPTTEL) .

2. SOVIET UNION MADE A LONG INTERVENTION STRESSING THAT IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT LOS CONVENTION CLEARLY GIVE STATES THE RIGHT TO EXPLOIT SEABED RESOURCES. HE ARGUED THAT BY GIVING THE AUTHORITY EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS WITH POSSIBILITY OF SERVICE CONTRACTS WITH PRIVATE COOPERATION, THIS WOULD ONLY BENEFIT PRIVATE ENTERPRISE. HE SAID HE WOULD NOT EXCLUDE THE POSSIBILITY OF THE AUTHORITY EXPLOITING SEABED RESOURCES DIRECTLY AT SOME POINT WHEN IT HAD THE FINANCIAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL CAPABILITY TO DO SO, PARA-PHRASING CANADIAN PROPOSAL (ALTERNATIVE D).

3. CHAIRMAN PINTO SUGGESTED THAT AMALGAMATED TEXT PROPOSED BY US REP THE DAY BEFORE WHICH TRIED TO BRING ALL IDEAS UNDER ORIGINAL PARAS 1 AND 2 OF ART XII INTO ONE HEAVILY BRACKETED TEXT BE INSERTED AS FOOTNOTE WITH UNCLASSIFIED

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NO BRACKETS. TEXT FOLLOWS: ALL EXPLORATION AND EXPLOITATION ACTIVITIES IN THE AREA (AND OTHER RELATED

ACTIVITIES) SHALL BE CONDUCTED (BY OR ON BEHALF OF THE AUTHORITY) (OR) (BY A CONTRACTING PARTY OR GROUP OF CONTRACTING PARTIES) (OR NATURAL OR JURIDICAL PERSONS UNDER ITS OR THEIR AUTHORITY OR SPONSORSHIP). (SUBJECT TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE AUTHORITY AND ITS REGULATIONS) AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULES REGARDING EXPLORATION AND EXPLOITATION SET OUT IN THESE ARTICLES END TEXT.

4. PINTO ALSO ASKED WHETHER THE NOTE TO ART XII (CALLING COMMITTEE' S ATTENTION TO FUTURE NEED TO CONSIDER GENERAL RULES FOR EXPLOITATION) SHOULD BE RETAINED.

5. BRAZIL, PERU, TANZANIA, FRANCE URGED THAT AMLGAMATED TEXT BE DROPPED. US REP CHARACTERIZED BRAZIL' S AND PERU' S COMMENTS AS INDICATING THAT NO POSSIBILITY EXISTED FOR COMPROMISE BETWEEN TEXT A (LICENSING SYSTEM) AND TEXT B (OPERATING ENTERPRISE). IN PROCEDURAL DEBATE WHICH FOLLOWED ALL DELS ATTEMPTED TO EMPHASIZE THAT IN THEIR VIEW COMPROMISE WAS POSSIBLE BETWEEN US AND LATIN AMERICAN POSITIONS. MOST DELS FAVORED RETENTION OF NOTE, BUT PERU, BRAZIL, AND TANZANIA MADE STRONG EFFORT TO DELETE PORTION OF NOTE TO ART. XII DEALING WITH NEED TO PREPARE GENERAL RULES ON LICENSING, FEES, AREAS, INTEGRITY OF INVESTMENT, ETC. US STRONGLY OPPOSED.

6. ONLY SUGGESTED SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE TO ALTERNATIVE TEXTS WAS BY USSR REP WHO OBJECTED TO REFERENCE TO WORD QTE REGULATION UNQTE IN CANADIAN TEXT AND SUGGESTED REPLACEMENT BY QTE SUPERVISION UNQTE.

7. COMMENT: ATTEMPTED POLARIZATION OF ISSUE OF WHO WILL EXPLOIT THE SEABED RESULTED IN MARKED AFRO- ASIAN SUPPORT PRINCIPALLY IRAQ, IRAN, GHANA AND NIGERIA FOR COMPROMISE POSITION BETWEEN US PROPOSAL AND OPERATING ENTERPRISE. AFTER AFRO- ASIAN INTERFENTIONS BRAZIL AND PERU EMPHASIZED THAT THERE WAS SOME FLEXIBILITY IN OPERATING ENTERPRISE CONCEPT, APPARENTLY INFLUENCED BY LACK OF SUPPORT FROM OTHER DELS.

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